

From Professors of the University of Glasgow.

GLASGOW COLLEGE, MAY 5, 1846.

We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, have great pleasure in bearing testimony to the ability and faithfulness with which the Rev. Dr. Thomas Aitken, Preacher of the Gospel, performed the duties of College Chaplain in the Session now closed. His discourses were always clear and distinct, often eloquent and powerful, exhibiting throughout an intimate acquaintance with the truths of Scripture, and a well-informed and cultivated mind. His talents and acquirements are of a superior kind; and we shall rejoice to hear of his obtaining a situation where they may be usefully employed.

(Signed,)

D. MACFARLAN, Principal.
ALEX. HILL, Professor of Divinity.
ROBT. BUCHANAN, Prof. of Logic & Retic.
JAMES THOMPSON, Prof. of Mathematics.
GEORGE GRAY, Professor of Hebrew.
WILLIAM FLEMING, Prof. of Moral Philos.

From the Rev. Dr. Barr, of St. Enoch's, Glasgow.

GLASGOW, 8th JUNE, 1846.

Dr. Thomas Aitken has been personally known to me for more than twenty years, during which time I have enjoyed the most favorable opportunities of estimating his character and attainments. It affords me much pleasure to express the very high sense which I have been led to entertain of his literary eminence and moral worth. As a Student his talents and proficiency secured for him some of the most honorable distinctions which the University had to bestow. His subsequent researches have realized an amount of knowledge in the various departments of scientific enquiry which few have attained. In particular, his acquaintance with those subjects which fall under the study of Natural Philosophy, is at once minute, profound, accurate and widely diversified. Of the extent of his acquirements and of his power of communicating them for the instruction of others, some highly satisfactory proofs have been given in the literary productions of which he is the Author, and in the courses of Lectures which he has delivered with great acceptance to large and enlightened audiences. His style is, by its simplicity, vigour and elegance, calculated to render him an exceedingly attractive and eminently useful instructor of youth, whilst the gentleness of his manners, the kindness of his disposition, and the probity of his character, cannot fail to recommend him to the esteem and affection of all, whether young or old, with whom he may be connected.

(Signed,)

JAMES BARR,
Minister of St. Enoch's Parish.